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FOLLOWING REPEAT BONN 05682 SENT SECSTATE 31 MARCH:
QUOTE S E C R E T BONN 05682

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
TAGS: MNUC, TECH, GW
SUBJ: FRG/BRAZIL NUCLEAR AGREEMENT

REF: (A) BONN 5584 (NODIS), (B) STATE 67182 (NODIS)

1. WHEN ECON/COMM MINISTER MET WITH DEPUTY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY LOECK IN THE CHANCELLERY ON MARCH 30,
LOECK (WHO HAD BEEN PRESENT WITH CHANCELLOR DURING
DISCUSSIONS OF OUR NEW POLICY) SAID THAT THE CONTENTS
OF OUR NEW POLICY PROPOSALS HAD COME AS SOMETHING OF
A BOMBSHELL, SINCE IT MADE DEALING WITH THE BRAZILIAN
SITUATION EVEN MORE DIFFICULT. HE SAID THE FRG
FOUND ITSELF IN A "CRUEL" SIT.,29,, SINCE THE
FRENCH HAD ALREADY DELIVERED THEIR DRAWINGS AND
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BLUEPRINTS TO THE PAKISTANIS AND WOULD NOT IMMEDIATELY
BE AFFECTED BY OUR NEW POLICY. HE SAID THAT THE US
POSITION STRENGTHENED THE OPPONENTS OF THE GERMAN
NUCLEAR PROGRAM WHO WERE NOT EXACTLY THE KIND OF
PEOPLE EITHER OF US WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT.

2. ECON/COMM MINISTER REFERRED TO THE POINTS MADE

BY DEFSEC CHRISTOPHER WITH AMBASSADOR VON STADEN LAST WEEK, OF WHICH FOR SOME REASON LOECK SEEMED IGNORANT. WE, THEREFORE, REVIEWED THE POINTS CONTAINED THEREIN WITH HIM. HE WAS PARTICULARLY TAKEN BY OUR COMMENTS ON GETTING THE BRAZILIANS TO GIVE MORE FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION TO US PROPOSALS.

3. HE SAID THE FRG WOULD CERTAINLY WELCOME ANY INDICATION THAT THE BRAZILIANS ARE MOVING IN THIS WAY. THE FRG HAD SEEN NO INDICATION OF SUCH AN INCLINATION IN ITS OWN RELATIONS WITH THE BRAZILIANS. IN FACT, THE BRAZILIANS, WHO HAD EARLIER BEEN COMING IN FROM TIME TO TIME TO PRESS ON THE LICENSES ISSUE, WERE NOW COMING IN WEEKLY POINTING OUT THAT THE AGREEMENT COULD BE ABROGATED EITHER BY DENUNCIATION OR BY FAILURE OF THE FRG TO ACT UNDER ITS TERMS.

4. LOECK SAID UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES HE SAW LITTLE THAT COULD BE DONE DURING THE VISIT OF SECRETARY VANCE ON MARCH 31. HE SAID AGAIN THAT ANY INDICATION OF RECEIPTIVITY TO NEW IDEAS ON THE BRAZILIAN SIDE WOULD BE MOST WELCOME TO THE FRG.
STOESSEL UNQTE CHRISTOPHER

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